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Veterans Day Operating Hours

The following are Veterans Day operating hours for the various facilities across Peterson. These facilities will return to normal operating hours Tuesday:

■ Aero Club, 556-4310 – The office will be closed, but flying is available every day.

■ Aragon Dining Facility, 556-4180 – Holiday dining hours. Brunch from 6-10 a.m. and supper 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

■ Aquatics, 556-4608 – Closed.

■ Auto Skills, 556-4481 – Closed.

■ Bowling, 556-4607 – Open 11 a.m.-9:30 p.m.

■ CDC, 554-9572 – Closed.

■ Community

Activities Center, 556-1733 – Closed.

■ Enlisted Club, 556-4914 – Closed.

■ Fitness Center, 556-4462 – Open 7 a.m.-6 p.m.

■ Golf Course, 556-7414 – Open, weather permitting. Note: The course and its facilities will not be open on weekends or on Mondays if the course is snow covered or the temperatures are below freezing.

■ Library, 556-7462 – Closed.

■ Lodging, 556-6293 – Open 24 hrs. a day, seven days a week.

■ Officers' Club, 556-4181 – Closed.

■ Outdoor Recreation, 556-4867 – Closed.

■ Youth Center, 556-7220 – Closed.

Lord sends Veterans Day message

By Gen. Lance Lord
Air Force Space Command Commander

Veterans Day serves as a yearly reminder of the many patriotic Americans who have worn the uniform of this great country. Originally called Armistice Day, Nov. 11 initially paid tribute to the treaty marking the end of World War I. Signed in the eleventh hour of the eleventh

day of the eleventh month of 1918, the truce signified what was then called the "war to end all wars."

That hope was short-lived. Because of world events, the observance of Nov. 11 evolved to honor American war veterans. In 1954, Congress passed a resolution re-designating Nov. 11 as Veterans Day.

Veterans Day now honors all who have served – past

and present. And so it is fitting, as we find ourselves one year into the global war on terrorism, that we honor those who served before us, but also acknowledge the contributions of today's airmen, soldiers, sailors, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen.

You are the present and future of our great Air Force, our great nation. Beccy and I thank you for what you do every day.

In memory ...

In memory of Rose A. Tucker of AFSPC/FMAO April 20, 1946-Nov. 1, 2002.

With sympathy to her family, friends, co-workers, and the many lives she touched.



Action Line

Submitting Action Lines

The Action Line is your direct link to the 21st Space Wing Commander – use it wisely! Try to resolve problems at the lowest level possible — with the person or activity, and then follow the chain of command.

Though it's not required, we ask that you leave your name and phone number so we can get back to you for clarifications, or if your response isn't printed.

If you can't get satisfactory results, call 556-7777. Or you can fax your question to 556-7848.

Recycling bin concerns

QUESTION: Would it be possible to have a different color trash can for recycling materials in base housing? We have small colored crates for recycling, and a covered trash can would prevent a mess when it rains or when there is a strong wind. People could use paper or plastic bags to sort their recycle material before putting in the recycle can.

ANSWER: We applaud your interest in the recycling program. Pickup of household trash and recyclable items in Peterson family housing is not

done by the military, but through a service contract.

The contract provides trash cans for household trash, and standardized colored bins for recyclable items. These are the same household trash can and colored bins which are used in the civilian community, because the service provided to our base housing is the same as that provided to households throughout Colorado Springs by the same contractor. The contractor is equipped and manned to provide service in this manner, as they collect and empty the bins individually into separate containers.

If the contract throughout the local area was changed, it would unfortunately drive the costs up in both the containers they provide and the method they use to sort the recyclables. If you have further questions, please call Bob Tomlinson at 556-8059.

Prescription refill question

QUESTION: When is the pharmacy going to start the pick-up service for prescription refills at the Commissary? I was curious as to when and how this will work. Thank you.

ANSWER: In an effort to better serve our ben-

eficiaries and reduce wait times in the Peterson AFB Pharmacy, the Clinic will open a new refill pharmacy pick-up service for prescriptions at the Peterson Commissary this month.

This pick-up service is for refill prescriptions only and includes all prescriptions called in to our telephone refill system at 333-3784. Prescriptions will be available for pick-up on the next duty day if the beneficiary calls the order in before 2 p.m. After that time, the refills will be ready in two duty days. Since bulk medications will not be stocked at this refill pharmacy, we will be unable to process any walk-in refills or new prescriptions at this location. Any problems with refills may be addressed at the Main Clinic Pharmacy during normal duty hours.

Since the telephone refill system is the only method to identify refills that would be distributed at the refill pharmacy, prescription requests called in directly to the Clinic provider staff will have to be picked up at the main pharmacy. The hours of operation will be Tuesday through Saturday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

If you have any questions, please contact the Peterson Pharmacy staff at 556-1109.



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A Moment in Time: November



■ On Nov. 8, 1950, the first all-jet aerial combat in history took place.

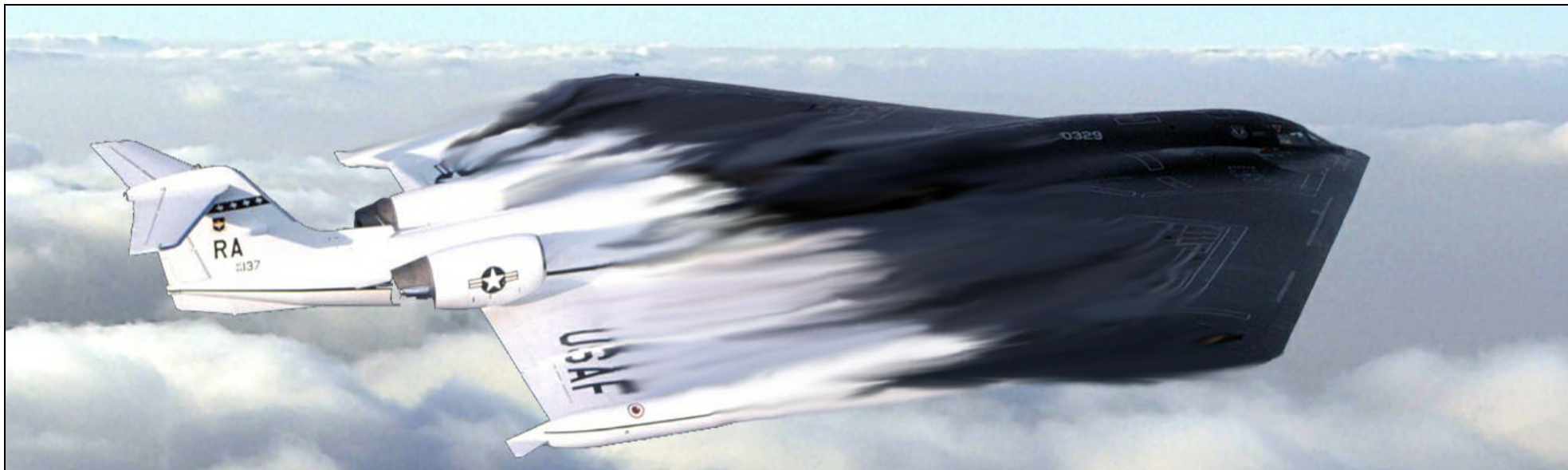
■ On Nov. 10, 1988, the Air Force revealed the existence of the Lockheed F-117A Stealth Fighter. The fighter had been operational since 1983.

■ On Nov. 11, 1918, World War I ended.

■ On Nov. 13, 1945, the 21st Fighter Group was awarded the Distinguished Unit Citation.

Information courtesy of Staff Sgt. Trisha Morgan, 21st Space Wing History Office.

Pete pilot B-2 bound



From C-21 to B-2 bomber, pilot's dreams come true

By Staff Sgt. Melanie Epperson
21st Space Wing Public Affairs

Ryan Bailey was 15 years old when the first B-2 Spirit was rolled out of its hangar in California and publicly displayed as a test craft in 1988. He placed a picture of the B-2 on his bedroom wall and dreamed of becoming its pilot.

Today, his dream is closer to realization than he ever imagined.

Capt. Ryan Bailey, 84th Airlift Flight C-21A pilot, was one of only 15 pilots recently chosen to enter the B-2 pilot training program at Whiteman Air Force Base in Missouri.

The B-2 bomber is capable of delivering conventional and nuclear munitions. It has special low-observable characteristics that make it considered a "stealth" aircraft.

The bomber is highly aerodynamic and capable of putting munitions directly on or within four feet of determined targets. The two-man crew consists of a pilot and a mission commander.

With only 20 B-2 Spirits in the force, officials are highly selective

when it comes to selecting who will fly the \$1 billion precision heavy bombing machines.

"It was an honor just to make it to the interview at Whiteman," Bailey said. "I never expected to get that far."

The small town boy from Lacombe, La., earned his private pilot's license with a visual flight rating at the age of 17.

"I wanted to fly since I was really little," he said.

"I actually started my own grass-cutting business to pay for my pilot training," he added with a chuckle. "When the grass would grow, I would fly. If it didn't grow, I didn't fly."

While Bailey was in college at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Florida, he earned his instrument flight rating and had logged enough flying hours to work part time as a small craft instructor.

After graduating with a degree in aeronautical science, Bailey was offered a position with the Mississippi Air National Guard to fly C-141B Starlifters.

"There was a significant backlog for pilot training slots there," he said. "We actually waited about a year and a

half, so that's when I really got exposed to the Air Force way of life."

According to Bailey, this was when he and his wife, Angie, made the decision to get out and see the world. He entered the active duty Air Force world, graduated Officer Training School as a second lieutenant, and began the pilot track system at Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi.

"All Air Force pilots start out flying T-37 Tweets," Bailey said. "After that, the pilots track select, which means they rank their choices for training from a list of aircraft like tankers, bombers, airlifters, fighters, and helicopters."

After that, Bailey added, they get picked for their next track, and they begin more craft-intensive training.

"When I showed up for training, I really wanted to be a T-1A Jayhawk first assignment instructor pilot," he said. "But one day I took a cross-country flight and landed in Colorado Springs. My wife and I thought 'Wow, this is a great place.'"

Bailey ended up with an assignment to the 84th Airlift Flight, a geographically separated unit belonging to Scott Air Force Base, Ill., but located as a tenant unit on Peterson Air Force Base.

The mission of the 84th is to provide operational airlift throughout North America. The C-21A is the lead jet of the Air Force fleet and is mainly used to transport high-ranking military commanders, key officials, and distinguished visitors.

"This is a great job, and we love the area," he said. "But I always had it in the back of my mind to fly the B-2."

Bailey began the process of applying for one of the highly coveted B-2 positions in 2001.

"I didn't even make it to the interview that year, so I thought 'Hey, I'll just enjoy my job here and try again later.'"

The process to apply for a B-2 position is intensive and competitive.

First, applicants must provide a records package. This package includes flying hours, special duties, outstanding accomplishments, and letters of recommendation from commanders.

In 2002, Bailey tried again. This

Graphic design by Senior Airman Shane Sharp
time he made it to the interview.

"I couldn't believe it," he said. "I just couldn't believe I actually made it that far."

Once the board met and reviewed the packages that were submitted, they selected 15 applicants to come to Whiteman AFB for a series of interviews in July. The applicants' abilities were tested in flight simulators, and they were treated to a tour of the B-2 Spirit and a complete mission briefing.

"I learned so much about the B-2 in those four days," Bailey said. "I got really excited, but then I saw the caliber of people I was competing against and thought 'What am I doing here?'"

In August, Bailey got the word. He was in.

"My wife and I were thrilled," he said with a smile. "We have been blessed with two boys, a two-year old and a newborn, and now God has given us this gift. We are very thankful."

Next summer, Bailey and his family leave for Whiteman AFB, Mo., where he will begin his 6-8 month training on the T-38 Talon and B-2 Spirit. Since Whiteman is the only B-2 base, that is where he will spend the rest of his time, unless he sets his sights on something higher.

"I see everything I've done in my career as a stepping stone," Bailey said. "Fly a lot, know what you want, keep trying, and don't take no for an answer. That's my advice."

According to Bailey's commander at the 84th ALF, Lt. Col. Jeff Gettle, Bailey is an incredible pilot.

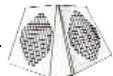
"He's just one of those people who excels at everything he does," Gettle said. "The 84th is fortunate to have people like that. He raises the standards and sets the example."

With more than 2,700 flying hours now under his belt, Bailey reflects on his dreams and accomplishments with sincere gratitude.

"I'm so lucky," he said. "I have a beautiful wife who supports me in everything I do, a wonderful family, and now I'm representing all the men and women of the 84th Airlift flight and the C-21A community in something that is so much bigger than one man. I'll work very hard to show everyone what we are capable of."



Courtesy photos
Capt. Ryan Bailey talks to 1st Lt. Matt Michaud, both from the 84th Airlift Flight, during a preflight inspection. Bailey was recently selected for the B-2 bomber program.



BONE MARROW DRIVE

The next bone marrow drives on Peterson are scheduled for Thursday, 1-4 p.m. at the SMC/CISF (Building 2025) Launch Room, and Nov. 26, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Building 1 auditorium.

Base members are eligible to participate in the DoD Bone Marrow Program even if they are ineligible to donate blood (based on overseas assignments).

Those eligible for the DoD Marrow Program must be active duty, dependents, DoD Civil Service, Guard or Reserve, between 18-60 years of age and in good health.

For more information, contact Master Sgt. Kristin Clark at 556-3152 or kristin.clark@peterson.af.mil.

CONSTRUCTION

Portions of the Base Exchange, Commissary, and Building 1470 parking lots will be closed Monday through Wednesday for pavement

maintenance. Your cooperation is appreciated.

CORE TECHNOLOGIES FOR SPACE SYSTEMS CONFERENCE

Colorado Springs will host the Core Technologies for Space Systems Conference at the Sheraton Hotel Nov. 19-21. The only space technologies conference in the U.S. that is dedicated to the full range of core technologies related to space operations and the development of new space capabilities and systems, the conference attracts top space professionals from industry and government.

This year's keynote speakers include Gen. Lance Lord, Commander, Air Force Space Command and Mr. Sam Venneri, Chief Technologist, National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Dr. Harrison "Jack" Schmitt, one of the last two men to walk on the moon, will be the guest speaker at the conference ban-

quet. For more information, or to register for the conference, visit the Core Technologies 2002 Web site at <http://www.spacecoretech.org/>, or e-mail Col. T.S. Kelso at TS.Kelso@peterson.af.mil.

EFFECTIVE WRITING SEMINAR

The Enlisted Professional Development committee's next effective writing seminar is scheduled for Tuesday, 1-3 p.m. in Building 350, room 1016. This seminar focuses on preparing EPRs and award nominations. To sign up, contact Senior Master Sgt. Brad Steininger at 556-1714, or at bradley.steininger@peterson.af.mil.

SANTA'S TOY CONSIGNMENT SALE

Santa's Toy Consignment Sale will be held Nov. 16, 9 a.m. - noon, at the Fort Carson Field House, Building 1160, across from Burger King. Customers will be able to purchase new or like new toys and

children's items at a discounted price.

Those interested in selling their toys and other children's items may drop items off at the post Field House Nov. 15, between noon and 5 p.m. No clothing items are to be sold. Profits and unsold items must be picked up Nov. 16 between 1 and 2 p.m. All unclaimed items will be given to charity. There will be a 10 percent consignment fee for each item to be sold, and a \$1 admission fee for every adult customer.

For more information, contact Kristin Keown at 392-8328.

REENLIST AT ACADEMY FOOTBALL GAME

Reenlist, or reaffirm your commitment to the Air Force and our Nation at an Air Force Academy football game, Nov. 23. Air Force Academy Superintendent, Lt. Gen. John Dallager, will officiate the ceremony.

Contact the Air Force Academy Career Assistance Advisor, Master Sgt. Loretta Glasgow at 333-9389 for more information.

EDUCATION OFFICE

■ Active duty tuition assistance

The education office now provides 100 percent tuition assistance. The maximum the Air Force can pay per semester hour is \$250 or \$166.67 per quarter hour. This equates to \$750 that the Air Force could pay for a three semester hour course. There is an annual ceiling of \$4,500 that the Air Force will pay in tuition assistance for any individual. Call 556-4064 for details.

MUSEUM VOLUNTEERS

The museum needs volunteers in the gift shop to work one shift, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. or 12:30 - 3 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. Contact Don Fulkerson at 282-1231 or the museum at 556-4915 for more information.



At the Base Chapel

Protestant

Liturgical Worship, 8:15 a.m.
Traditional Sunday Worship
11 a.m.
Gospel Services, 12:30 p.m.

Catholic

Weekday Mass, 11:35 a.m.
Saturdays, 5 p.m.
Sundays, 9:30 a.m.
Reconciliation Saturdays, 4 p.m.

Religious Education

Catholic and Protestant Sunday
School classes begin at 8:30 and
9:45 a.m. respectively.

**For more information

Call the chapel at 556-4442
for available chapel
programs.

Blotter

The following real-life events with real individuals from around the Peterson Complex are to inform you of crimes, accidents, and events occurring on base. The following entries are from hundreds recorded in the Peterson Police Blotter:

***Editor's note: Although the Space Observer staff may make light of some Blotter entries, the intent is to call attention to our security and law enforcement concerns. However, rest assured, our professional Security Forces treat each incident seriously.*

Another computer takes a hike – Oct. 28

Security Forces responded to a call from the Clinic regarding a missing computer. It seems a door had been locked on Friday with the computer inside; upon opening the room on Monday, the computer was missing.

Investigation is ongoing.

Greasy kid stuff? – Oct. 28

Security Forces and the Fire Department responded to the Child Development Center for reports of a grease fire.

The building was evacuated, the fire-fighters ensured the fire was extinguished, and all returned to normal with the kids delighted from the exciting show and tell.

Holey tire, Batman! – Oct. 28

A housing resident on Tyndall Avenue reported that her car's front right tire had been damaged by some vehicle vandalism.

The damage consisted of a hole approximately an inch in diameter on the outer portion of the tire.

Loopy and late – Oct. 28

Security Forces responded to a call at Dorm 1164 about a possibly intoxicated person. The individual had not shown up for work, and was suspected of being drunk when her office made contact with her.

The individual could not pass a Field Sobriety Test, as she was swaying and unable to follow directions. Piling underage drinking on her failure to go to work, she was released to her supervisor.

911 Response – Oct. 29

Security Forces, the Fire Department, and an American Medical Response ambulance responded to billeting upon reports of a lodging guest having chest and rib pains.

The individual was transported to Memorial Hospital for further treatment.

Late launderer looted – Oct. 29

Security Forces responded to Dorm 1102, where an individual had started his laundry at 2 a.m. When he returned at 6 a.m., the laundry had disappeared.

Be on the lookout for a thief wearing someone else's clothes ...

High-cost accessories – Oct. 29

A Base Exchange store detective notified Security Forces she was detaining a poaching patron who "just happened" to neglect paying for a necklace, bracelet, earrings, and a pair of pants at a total value of \$84.

The Colorado

Springs Police Department arrived and presented the fashion fool with a free summons for shoplifting.

Bargain bonehead – Oct. 30

Security Forces responded to the BX where an AAFES detective had detained an individual for shoplifting.

The crafty crook had devised a foolish way to get a bargain on a sweater by switching a price tag from \$71 to \$39, thus reducing the price by a tidy \$32.

The sweater and videotape of the fool in action was taken for evidence, and the individual was released to his sergeant first class.

911 Response – Oct. 30

Security Forces, the Fire Department, and an AMR ambulance responded to the NCO Academy where an individual was experiencing shortness of breath.

The individual was transported to Memorial Hospital for further treatment.

Plucked parka – Oct. 30

Security Forces

received a complaint of a gortex parka being stolen from the laundry room in Dorm 1158.

The individual left it on a washing machine, went to his room, and returned to find it missing.

Be on the lookout for a toasty thief-a stoop who stooped to steal another's winter warmth.

Wandering wagger – Nov. 1

Security Forces responded to a call about a Husky dog loose in the housing area.

The hiking Husky meandered to AFSPC headquarters, and smartly entered via the building's dog-matic doors. When one officer tried to detain the pleased pooch, it bit at him; however, he was able to get the owner's information from the dog's collar.

The owner was contacted and caught her crafty canine, which was transported home by the Security Forces.

Leather looted – Nov. 1

Security Forces responded to the Shoppette, where a civilian reported his

leather jacket had been stolen from the top of the cashier's counter.

Investigation is ongoing.

911 Response – Nov. 2

Security Forces, the Fire Department, and an AMR ambulance responded to military family housing from reports of a resident who was complaining of having trouble breathing, throwing up, and starting to feel numb.

The individual was transported to Memorial Hospital for further treatment.

Old Faithful south = Peterson Pond – Nov. 3

A patrol notified the Law Enforcement Desk there was a water main break on Peterson Boulevard by the Mission Support Facility, and water was running out onto the roadway.

The Law Enforcement Desk contacted 21st Civil Engineering, who contacted the contractor responsible. The contractor arrived and turned off the water source.

(Anyone witnessing an unlawful act should call the Security Forces at 556-4000.)





SECAF, CSAF send Veterans Day message to troops

The following is a joint message from Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James G. Roche and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P. Jumper:

"Some 84 years ago, on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, an armistice was announced that silenced the guns of what was known throughout the world as the Great War.

"A war-weary American private described his unit's observance in a letter home: 'We stood up and didn't say a word. It felt as if I had dropped my pack after a long hike and straightened out my back, I was twice as light as any bird. But all we did was stand and stare and stare. I stood up and stared and never said a word.'

"Sadly, World War I was not the war to end all wars,

and the Armistice Day of that era is known as Veterans Day, in salute of all those who have served, fought and died for their country in the years since.

"On Veterans Day, we pause to reflect on those who, like that young private, have given so much to our nation. Through sacrifice, dedication, and courage, they gave each of us the gift of freedom.

"It is also a time to recognize the men and women who continue to serve in America's armed forces today around the world. Men and women who are standing watch on foreign soil, bringing food and medical supplies to people in distress, serving as peacekeepers in strife-filled areas of the world, or fighting our war on terrorism.

If history has taught us anything, it is that Americans will bear any hardship, overcome any obstacle and conquer any foe in their pursuit

of liberty and justice -- for themselves, their children, their countrymen, and for those whose faces they'll never see.

"Today we are a different nation -- challenged, yet stronger; less sheltered, yet more courageous; more appreciative of life; and, for those who serve our country, even more willing to risk our life for a greater cause.

"To all who have worn our nation's uniform -- America is better for your service. Words fail to adequately express your contribution to our nation.

"To each of you, our military men and women who we honor today -- whose dedication and loyalty are the strength of our military and exemplify the spirit, courage and patriotism that makes America great -- we proudly salute you."

(Information Courtesy of Air Force Print News)

Remembering those who came before

By Senior Master Sgt. F.J. Garcia-Bautista
10th Dental Squadron

In 1918, on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day in the eleventh month, the world rejoiced and celebrated. After four years of bitter war, the Allied powers assigned a cease-fire agreement (an armistice) with Germany at Rethondes, France on November 11, 1918, bringing World War I to a close. The "war to end all wars" was over.

In 1919, November 11 was set aside as Armistice Day in the United States, to remember the sacrifices that men and women made during World War I in order to ensure a lasting peace. On Armistice Day, soldiers who survived the war marched in a parade through their hometowns. Politicians and veteran officers gave speeches and held ceremonies of thanks for the peace they had won.

Armistice Day officially received its name in the United States in 1926 through a Congressional Resolution. It became a national holiday 12 years later. Congress voted Armistice Day a federal holiday in 1938, 20 years after the war ended. But Americans realized that the previous war would not be the last one. World War II began the following year, and nations great and small again participated in a bloody struggle. After the Second World War, Armistice Day continued to be observed on November 11.

In 1953, townspeople in Emporia, Kansas called the holiday Veterans Day in gratitude to the veterans in their town. Soon after, Congress

passed a bill introduced by a Kansas congressman renaming the federal holiday to Veterans Day. Beginning in 1954, the United States designated November 11 as Veterans Day to honor veterans of all U.S. wars. In 1971, President Nixon declared it a federal holiday on the second Monday in November.

Americans still give thanks for peace on Veterans Day. There are ceremonies and speeches and, at 11 in the morning, most Americans observe a moment of silence, remembering those who fought for peace.

After the United States' involvement in the Vietnam War, the emphasis on holiday activities has shifted. There are fewer military parades and ceremonies. Each year, Veterans gather at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. to place gifts and stand quiet vigil at the names of their friends and relatives who fell in the Vietnam War. Families who have lost sons and daughters in wars turn their thoughts more toward peace and the avoidance of future wars.

In Colorado Springs, veterans' organizations through the Pikes Peak Veterans Council and the Colorado Springs Veterans Day Parade, Inc., dedicate their efforts to honor and recognize veterans of all wars, and to honor current members of the military on Veterans Day and Memorial Day events.

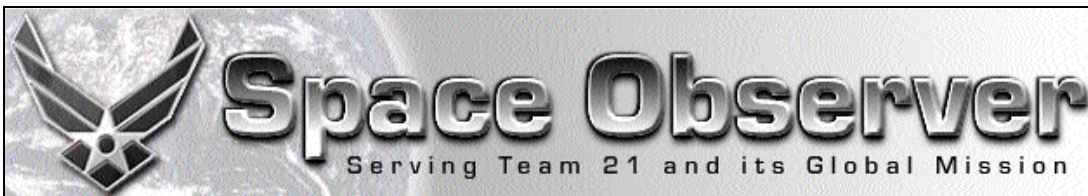
This year, Colorado Springs Parade, Inc., with support from the Pikes Peak Veterans Council, is having a Veterans Day Parade which will feature parade entries from all the military units in the Pikes Peak region, including soldiers and airmen from the Colorado National Guard.

The parade will be at 9:30 a.m., Saturday, in downtown Colorado Springs on Tejon Street.

Team Pete will feature a float depicting the Vietnam Memorial. In addition, Team Pete is participating with a marching unit consisting of members from all squadrons. Each member will carry their squadron guidon.

The High Frontier Honor Guard and the Air Force Band of the Rockies will also be featured in the parade.

A memorial will be at 11 a.m., Monday, at Memorial Park.



Have a story idea?

Let us know by calling us at 556-4351 or by e-mail at space.observer@peterson.af.mil

Attention housing residents: construction notice

A project to replace portions of the main sanitary sewer line on Mitchell and Harmon Streets in Military Family Housing has been awarded to the company Active Plumbing and Heating.

This project will replace the old clay sewer lines with new plastic pipe to eliminate any flow problems experienced in the past.

Work on the project will begin Tuesday and continue through mid-February.

Construction work will consist of excavating a trench along each street to replace the old sewer line. The Mitchell Street housing entrance will be closed to all through traffic, except for residents living on Westover and Mitchell Streets, for three weeks while work is done along Mitchell. Residents and visitors are asked to enter the housing area from Selfridge Street (in front of the Youth Center) via Peterson Boulevard.

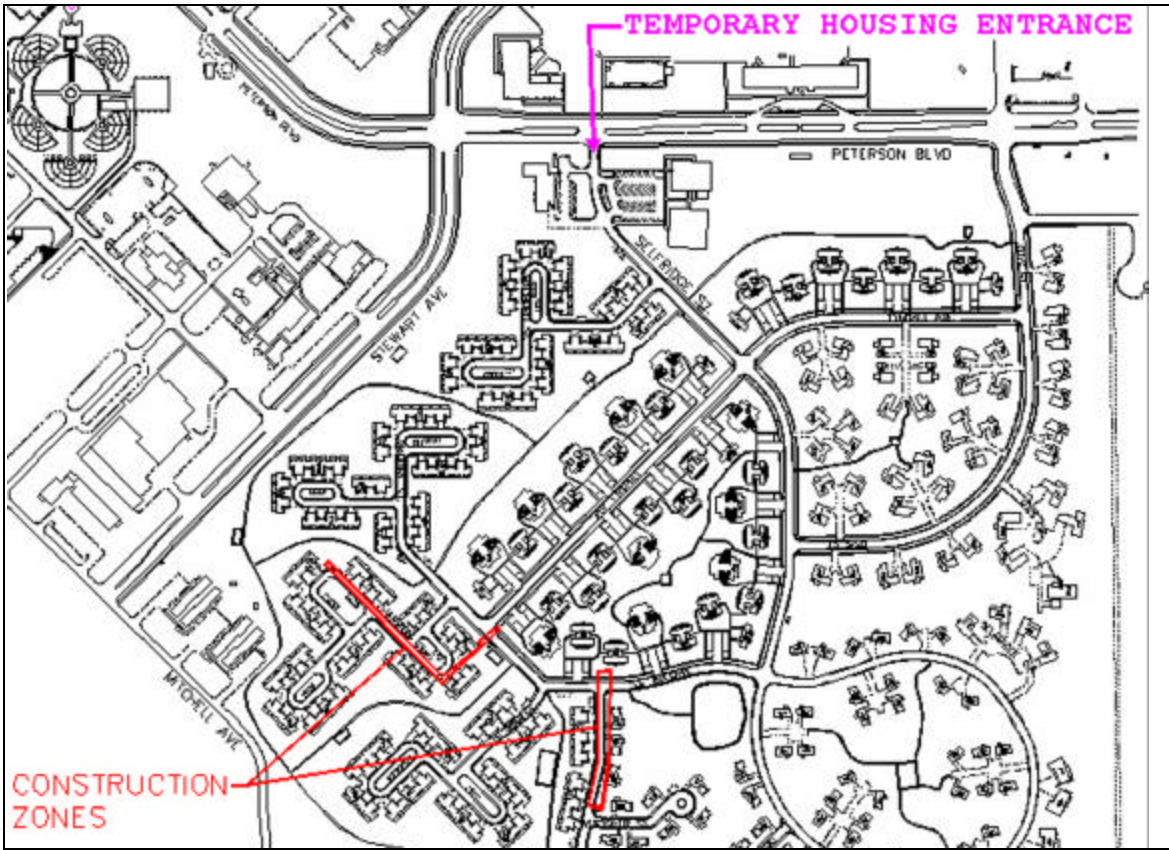
Driveways to several housing units will be removed

or blocked during construction operations. The housing units on Mitchell Street that will be affected are: 541 A thru F, 543 C thru F, 602, 604, and 606.

The housing units on Harmon St. that will be affected are: 522 C & D, 523 A thru F, 524 A thru D, and 526 A thru F. Work on Harmon Street will last about four weeks. Access to the driveways will be restricted from 7 a.m.-5 p.m. each weekday and will be restored each evening before the contractor leaves for the day. The contractor will notify each resident on Mitchell and Harmon Streets one week before construction begins in their respective areas.

Each housing unit affected will experience one short water and sewer outage while the contractor connects the unit to the new sewer line. Outages should be no longer than four hours. The contractor will notify each resident two weeks in advance of any utility outage.

Any construction activity in the housing area brings with it certain safety concerns. The



Affected housing area construction map

contractor will maintain a safe work site at all times, and will be watchful of children in the area.

Trenches will be covered at the end of each workday and safety fences will be erected around the work site to restrict

access.

Housing residents are asked to keep children away from the construction site, to include climbing on dirt piles and heavy equipment.

Also, drivers are asked to use caution and observe all

detours around the construction areas.

Any questions should be directed to Master Sgt. Michael Funicelli at 556-1634.

(Information courtesy of the 21st Civil Engineer Squadron)





Airman dies from alcohol overdose

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, GA. -- An airman was found dead in his dormitory room early Thursday, the victim of alcohol poisoning, according to autopsy results.

Airman 1st Class Eric Paternoster, 19, had a .468 blood-alcohol level when the autopsy was performed, said Dr. James Whitaker, Houston County's medical examiner.

That level would be nearly six times the .08 legal limit for a charge of DUI.

Whitaker said the alcohol level was "enough to kill him."

The death was ruled accidental, Whitaker said, but it remains under investigation by the Air Force Office of Special Investigations. Neither OSI nor base officials would release much information about the case.

Whitaker and Houston County Coroner Danny

Galpin said the man was drinking with friends Wednesday night.

A friend discovered him alone in his dormitory room before 6 a.m. Thursday, they said. Paternoster wasn't breathing, Galpin said, and was taken to the Houston Medical Center in Warner Robins.

Public affairs officials at Robins said Paternoster was pronounced dead at about 6:20 a.m.

Major Mike Richmond, public affairs director for the OSI office at Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland, said the death investigation will likely last into next week.

More information will be released then, after more interviews have been taken and all the "t's are crossed and the i's dotted," Richmond said.

Paternoster worked with the 19th Air Refueling Group.



Former Pete NCO becomes 'chef to the stars'

By Tech. Sgt. Scott Elliott
[Air Force Print News](#)

Tech. Sgt. Stephanie Bryant has traveled a long and winding road to get where she is today: chef to the stars.

Generally speaking, Bryant is an enlisted aide. More specifically, she is the Air Force's only "floating" enlisted aide, assisting general officers on an as-needed basis. When not traveling, she can be found on Fort Meyer, Va., stoking the kitchen fire in "Air House," the official residence of the Air Force chief of staff.

Bryant traces her culinary roots back to Birmingham, Ala., where, she would watch cooking shows on television.

"When I was 10, I watched Julia Child and knew, someday, I was going to cook," she said.

After spending two years in the Army Reserve, Bryant enlisted in the Air Force and served in personnel offices. It was during a tour at Peterson Air Force Base, Colo., as the noncommissioned officer in charge of an orderly room, that her professional cooking career

began to take shape.

Bryant arranged with her commander at Peterson to enroll at the Colorado Institute of Art's School of Culinary Arts. This allowed her to work in her office 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., without a lunch break, and then drive to Denver to attend class 3:30 to 10 p.m. each day.

For 18 months things went well. Then, in the spring of 1998, a change in the school's curriculum nearly cut short her dream. During her next-to-last quarter, the school began requiring students to work days in its restaurant, in order to learn menu planning and get practical experience.

But luck was in the air for the budding chef. Air Force Academy Superintendent Lt. Gen. Tad J. Oelstrom heard of Bryant's predicament and invited her to cook for two special functions. The general was so impressed that he offered her a job as his enlisted aide and arranged her duty hours to let her complete her degree.

Shortly before her two-year assignment as Oelstrom's aide was to end in 2000, Bryant's budding culinary rep-

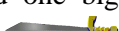
utation presented her with a one-of-kind job offer -- a position as the only Air Force cook in the Joint Chiefs of Staff's Chairman's dining room.

"They asked if I'd be interested in working as a chef for the Chairman," she said. "They flew me out for a week-long interview, but by Wednesday, they had already decided to hire me."

To compensate for her lack of experience, Bryant began carrying recipe cards to work. When the other chefs found out, they called her "The Cookbook Chef."

Bryant eventually lost the cards for good and tried her hand at competition cooking. Those efforts earned her a position as an apprentice, and the only airman, on the U.S. Army Culinary Arts Team. The team competed in the 2000 Culinary Olympics, and Bryant's work helped them win a gold medal in the military category.

"I like being able to show people what I've learned and what the Air Force has allowed me to achieve," she said. "It's been a blessing and one big dream."



A T Y O U R S E R V I C E

German-style holiday market comes to Pete

By 2nd Lt. Suzy Kohout
21st Space Wing Public Affairs

The second annual Kris Kringle Market opens its doors to shoppers Nov. 30 in Hangar 210 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

This event is free and features old-fashioned holiday market crafts.

While parents are searching for unique gifts, their children will be amused by Santa giving out free candy, face painting, and the sound of jolly'ol holiday music.

The annual Kris Kringle Market is the same day as Breakfast With Santa, which is at the Enlisted Club from 8 to 10 a.m.

Food, such as brats, beverages, and other German-style treats, will be on sale at the Kris Kringle Market .

“Last year we had 52 different vendors and about 300 shoppers for our Kris Kringle Market and we expect even more this year,” said Deb Connor, Community Activities Center Director. “This year we will have a superb selection of merchandise.”



Photos by Margie Arnold
A shopper from last year's Kris Kringle Market checks out all the holiday merchandise.

The variety of merchandise includes holiday decorating items, candles, scented soaps, special items for the bath, toys, quilts and afghans, jewelry, woodcrafts, home interior items, tupperware, cooking supplies, custom aprons, hot pads, hats, and mugs.

Holiday food gifts will also be for sale, such as cookies, cakes, strudels, jams, jellies, preserves, candies, and more.

The Kris Kringle Market started last year with an idea from Conner. She first thought of hosting a German-style holiday market on base after recalling the variety of handmade crafts and homemade food she saw in markets in Germany.

Anybody wanting to have a booth at the Kris Kringle Market should call 556-1733. Booths are \$25 each.

(Story information courtesy of Margie Arnold, 21st Services Squadron.)



A family learns more about wood crafts. Various kinds of crafts will be for sale at the Kris Kringle Market.

This Week

Today

- Take your parents flying and get a \$5 discount, at the Aero Club.
- 5K Fun Run at Cheyenne Mountain Air Force Station, 11:30 a.m., in front of the Technical Support Facility.

Saturday

- Synchronized swimming, 8-10 a.m., at the Aquatics Center.

Monday

- Veterans Day, see Page 3 for holiday hours.

Tuesday

- Family swim night, 6-8 p.m., at the Aquatics Center.

Wednesday

- Going Overseas brief, 8-9 a.m., at the Family Support Center.
- Smooth Move brief, 9-9:30 a.m., at the Family Support Center.
- Applying for Federal Service, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., at the Family Support Center.
- Shuffleboard tournament at the Fitness Center racquetball courts.

Thursday

- Play Group, 10:30 a.m. - noon, at the Chapel.
- Shuffleboard tournament at the Fitness Center racquetball courts.

Helpful Numbers

- Family Advocacy 556-8943
- Education Center 556-4064
- Library 556-7462
- Community Center 556-7671
- Aquatics Center 556-4608
- Fitness Center 556-4462
- Officers' Club 556-4181
- Enlisted Club 556-4194
- Youth Center 556-7220
- Family Support 556-6141
- Red Cross 556-9201
- Aragon Menu Line 556-4782
- Outdoor Recreation 556-4487
- Golf Course 556-7810

This Week

SERVICES CALENDARS			
At the Officers' Club		November 13 -- Special Family Night, 6-8:30 p.m.	November 20 -- Mongolian BBQ dinner, 6-8 p.m.
At the Enlisted Club		November 13 -- Pasta buffet, 5-7 p.m.	November 20 -- Chicken buffet, 5-7 p.m.
At Outdoor Recreation		November 9-10 -- Rock climbing.	November 23 -- Weekend skiing starts.
			November 28 -- Thanksgiving Day Family Buffet, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., make reservations.
			November 27 -- Holiday food buffet, 5-7 p.m.
			November 28 -- Low impact wilderness class starts.

Putting steel on target

13th ASOS participates in Joint Air Attack Training

By Tech. Sgt. Gino Mattorano
21st Space Wing Public Affairs

Members of the 13th Air Support Operations Squadron took the opportunity to showcase the Air Force's close air support skills during a Joint Air Attack Training exercise at Fort Carson, Colo. Oct. 21-30.

A Tactical Air Control Party from the squadron worked with A-10s from the Fighter Weapons School at Nellis Air Force Base, Nev., and Fort Carson's 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment to hone their joint warfighting skills.

The 13th ASOS is assigned to Fort Carson and like other tactical air control squadrons, works directly with Army units to control and direct airpower at enemy ground forces.

"This exercise combines close air support from A-10s with artillery and helicopter units from the Army," said Capt. Jason Costello, an air liaison officer with the 13th ASOS.

Joint Air Attack Training gives pilots, tactical air controllers and ground forces the opportunity to execute a coordinated attack, while ensuring the safety of friendly forces.

"The biggest lesson in these exercises is learning how our fellow services work together to destroy a common enemy," said Costello. "Army and Air Force members use different terminology, so this type of training helps us work together more efficiently. The A-10s from the Fighter Weapons School are required to participate in this training as part of their curriculum. Linking that up with the training we do with the Army, makes for a very efficient exercise."

The heart of the air support squadron is the enlisted terminal attack controller, or ETAC.

"An ETAC's job is to advise Army ground commanders on the appropriate use of combat air support to best integrate it into the ground commander's battle plan," said Costello.

A tactical air control party typically con-

sists of an air liaison officer, an ETAC, and two enlisted radio operator/maintainer drivers, or ROMADs. Tactical air controllers start out their careers as ROMADs, and eventually become ETACs.

"The ETAC is trained to seek out and identify enemy targets," said Costello. "He uses stealth and concealment to identify enemy targets, and then he relays this information to fighter and bomber aircraft, and authorizes the release of bombs or ammunition on targets."

A key concern for the ETAC is the prevention of fratricide. The ETAC must be able to distinguish between friendly and enemy forces.

"This requires years of training and extreme confidence in your abilities," said Costello. "The lives of your fellow military members are in your hands."

The two basic elements of the tactical air control party are the command and control element, and the forward deployed element. Each element performs a crucial function in the close air support mission.

"The command and control element works closely with Army ground forces," said Staff Sgt. Aric Benally, a ROMAD with the 13th ASOS. "The air liaison officer works with the ground forces commander to ensure that there is no danger of friendly forces being hit by attack aircraft, and to ensure that ground artillery won't endanger the aircraft."

The forward deployed element serves as the eyes and ears of the attack, positioning themselves as close as they can to enemy forces.

"This element looks for targets, plots them on a map, and passes them to the command and control element as well as attack aircraft," said Benally. "We

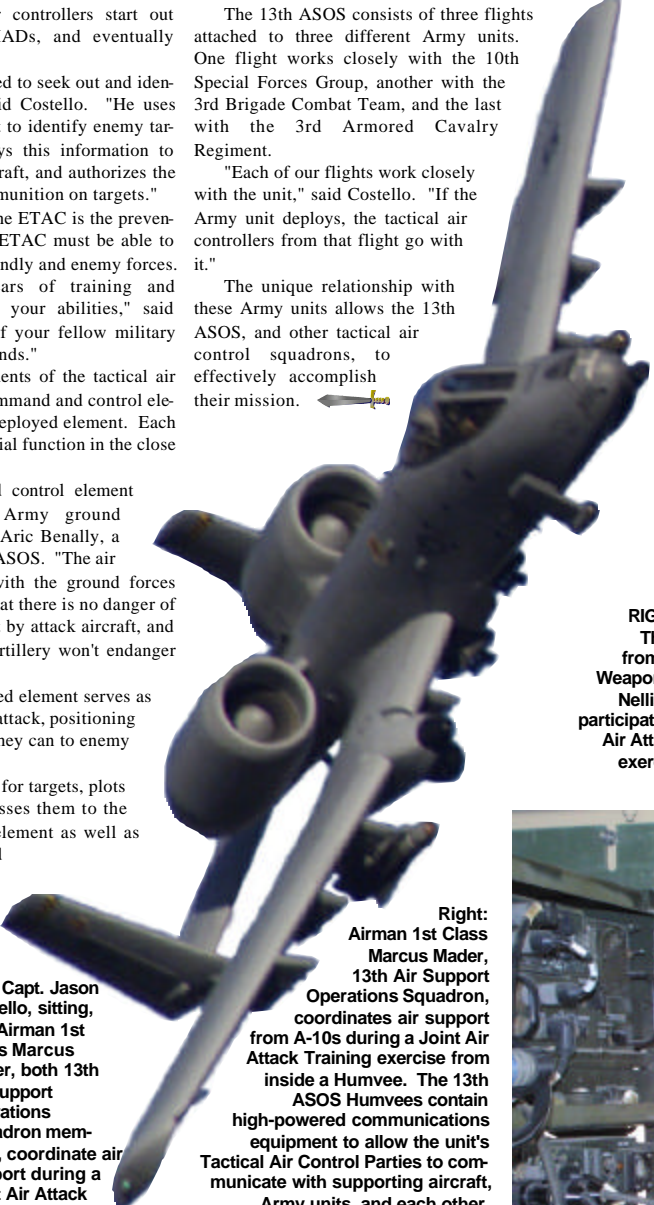
communicate directly with the pilots to

give them accurate target data and provide battle damage assessment."

The 13th ASOS consists of three flights attached to three different Army units. One flight works closely with the 10th Special Forces Group, another with the 3rd Brigade Combat Team, and the last with the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment.

"Each of our flights work closely with the unit," said Costello. "If the Army unit deploys, the tactical air controllers from that flight go with it."

The unique relationship with these Army units allows the 13th ASOS, and other tactical air control squadrons, to effectively accomplish their mission.



RIGHT: An A-10 Thunderbolt II from the Fighter Weapons School at Nellis AFB, Nev., participates in a Joint Air Attack Training exercise Oct. 28.



U.S. Army Photo by Richard Bridges



U.S. Army Photo by Richard Bridges



WAITING FOR NAMES AND INFORMATION



Photos by Tech. Sgt. Gino Mattorano

Left: Capt. Jason Costello, sitting, and Airman 1st Class Marcus Mader, both 13th Air Support Operations Squadron members, coordinate air support during a Joint Air Attack Training exercise.

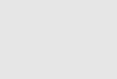
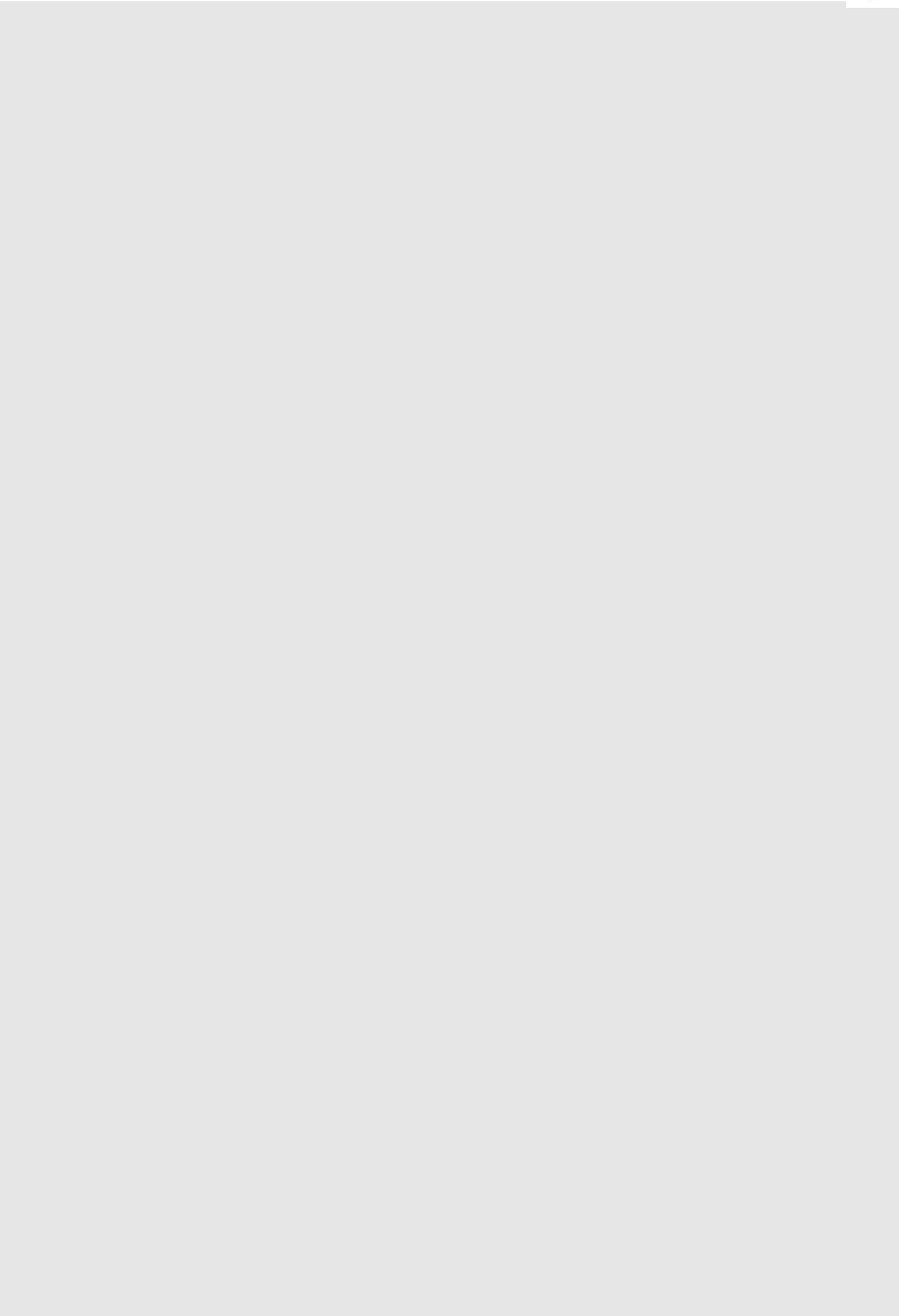


A TACP from the 13th Air Support Operations Squadron prepares to participate in a Joint Air Attack Training exercise at Fort Carson Oct. 30. The 13th ASOS works closely with Army units to direct and control Air Force close air support missions in support of ground operations.

Right: Airman 1st Class Marcus Mader, 13th Air Support Operations Squadron, coordinates air support from A-10s during a Joint Air Attack Training exercise inside a Humvee. The 13th ASOS Humvees contain high-powered communications equipment to allow the unit's Tactical Air Control Parties to communicate with supporting aircraft, Army units, and each other.



ABOVE: OH-58 Kiowa Helicopters of the 4th Squadron, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, hover, waiting for the signal to attack during Joint Air Attack Training exercise Oct. 28.



Reenlistments: 33 Team Pete members ‘sitck with the company’

Team Pete congratulates the following Air Force members on their decision to reenlist:

- Johnson, Darren W.

■ Malone, Eric W.

■ Sanders, Andre W.

■ Voeste, Cheryl A.

■ Hicks, Jesusita M.

■ Williams, Mark S.

■ Heath, Raymond E. Jr.

■ Osborn, Marguerite R.

■ Ferweda, Jason O.

■ Miller, Bonnie L.

■ Fouts, Curtis D.

■ Yoder, Michael C.

■ Austin, Ernest L.

■ Babb, William M.

■ Howard, Charlend W.

■ Richard, Kevin J.
- Robbins, Kirt D.

■ Crossett, Frank A.

■ Masincupp, Danny N. Jr.

■ Kupferer, Kevin R.

■ McMillen, Rachael Ann

■ Porter, Prince E. Jr.

■ Burleson, Daniel D.

■ Soto, Vanessa G.

■ Hernandez, George

■ Hinojos, Jorge

■ Howard, Andrea J.

■ Karras, Heejin

■ Krier, Pamela M.

■ Anderson, Belinda D.

■ Shaw, Timothy V.

■ Darnell, Brad L.

■ Garrett, James R.

(Courtesy of the 21st Mission Support Squadron)



Chief list released

14 Team Pete members make top enlisted rank

The following Team Pete senior master sergeants were recently selected for promotion to the rank of chief master sergeant:

21st Space Wing

- Gauthier, Brian D.
- Clark, Michael E.

Air Force Space Command

- Zeiters, David L.
- Bridgeford, Brian C.
- Barrows, John A.
- Ellis, Leslie S. III
- Francoeur, Robert B.

- Covington, Rayfield
- Stehley, Carol A.
- Westcott, Scott J.

North American Aerospace Defense Command

U.S. Space Command

Air Force Operations Test and Evaluation Center

Peterson NCO Academy

- Stange, Rosemarie C.

(Information courtesy of



the 21st Mission Support Squadron)



Oath of Enlistment

I, (state your full name),
do solemnly swear (or affirm)
that I will support and defend
the Constitution of the United States
against all enemies,
foreign and domestic;
that I will bear true faith
and allegiance to the same,
and that I will obey the orders
of the President of the United States
and the orders of the officers
appointed over me
according to regulations
and the Uniform Code
of Military Justice,
so help me God.



Photo by Eugene Chavez

SECNAV visits Mountain

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:
Brig. Gen. Kenneth DeCuir,
Cheyenne Mountain
Operations Center
Commander, Gordon
England, Secretary of the
Navy, and Rear Adm.
Daniel Stone, Director of
Logistics for NORAD and
U.S. Northern Command,
exit a blast door at the
Mountain.





Lead by setting the example

Staff Sgt. Paul A. Dryja
18th Space Surveillance Squadron

A co-worker of mine once told me a story about himself when he was a newly enlisted airman. The story started with details of squadron members being required to perform a weekly trash detail. The detail consisted of roaming the compound and picking up any trash that was on the ground. Most people can relate to having done something along these lines at some point in their career.

His story went on to say that the detail was not necessarily for a low ranking airman, but that is how it always ended

up being done. He went on to tell me that the squadron commander assigned the detail every Monday during a morning staff meeting.

The commander's direction was simply "someone please make sure the weekly trash detail gets done today." All the section commanders and chiefs that attended the meeting would get together afterward and pick an airman within their shops to perform the trash detail.

This co-worker had been in the squadron for a few months when his day came. His supervisor informed him that he had been chosen for the detail. He gathered the items

required for collecting the trash and was on his way.

He was outside for about ten minutes when he noticed the squadron commander walking toward him. His initial thought was that he had done something wrong and that the commander was coming to correct him.

As the commander approached, the nervous airman rendered the proper salute and asked the commander what he could do for him. The commander asked the airman to hand him a trash bag and show him an area that hadn't been covered yet. The shocked airman asked the commander if he wasn't doing the detail cor-

rectly. The commander's answer was, "not at all, but how can I ask you to do something if I'm not willing to do it myself?"

This coworker of mine finished the story by saying that he had a lot of respect for that commander. While serving under that commander he never complained about anything the commander directed because he knew that the commander was willing to do it himself.

The point of the story is not that airmen always end up doing undesired details, but that you should "lead by example." Think back to a point in your own career when you found it hard to perform a certain duty because you thought the person directing it was not willing to do it themselves. Since all Air Force members are professionals, I'm confident that the task was completed correctly and on time, but did you respect that person? Were you willing to "bend over backward" for that person?

From my own personal experience, I have found that it is much easier to complete a task when I know that those directing the task are willing to do their share of the work. There have been times when I have heard the phrases "Do as I say, not as I do," and "Shut up and color." Hearing phrases like these do not inspire people to give that extra effort or work late to produce a better product, but only encourage people to do the bare minimum.

Whether you are a commander or supervisor, an officer or an NCO, you can make a difference in how people react to direction. This is not to say that those giving orders should participate in the task every time.

After all, everyone has their share of the workload to cover. But when it comes to being a good leader, you should lead by example. Those underneath you will be more willing to produce the best product they possibly can, and they will respect you :

Peak Performer

Name: Staff Sgt. Daniel Hall
Unit: 821st Support Squadron, Thule Air Base
Duty Title: NCOIC, Commander's Support Staff

Time in Service: 13 years, 8 months

Hometown: Belleville, Ill.

Off-duty Interests: Racquetball and computers

Why did you join the Air Force? To serve my country and to have a stable career. My dad served in the Air Force and I thought it would be good to continue and possibly start a family tradition to serve.

Accomplishments: Selected for promotion to technical sergeant

What inspires you to do what you do? Bottom line: Mission. Being part of a "support" career field my entire tenure, I've always sought to find out how my job at each assignment contributed to the mission. If I can't identify my role in the mission, I'm not useful to the Air Force. It's vital to know how you're part of whatever mission you are assigned to.

What goals do you have: Become a senior master sergeant, continue to have a strong family, and complete my education.



Interested in Air Force opportunities?
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